

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a 35 U.S.C. § 371 filing of PCT/US2004/035039, filed October 22, 2004. PCT/US2004/035039 claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/514,307, filed October 23, 2003 and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/561,999, filed April 13, 2004. The disclosures of all of the aforementioned applications are incorporated by reference in their entireties for all purposes.

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Not applicable.

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ABSTRACT

This invention relates to the stabilization of a bacterial ADP-ribosylating exotoxin class protein (bARE), a method for analysing a bARE class protein, a method for the stabilization of the bARE class bacterial protein, compositions comprising a stabilized bARE protein, compositions comprising a substantially integral bARE class protein and immunogenic composition formulations incorporating same.

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